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SYSTEMS OF ACCOUNTANCY AND CONTROL OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL (SSAC)

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1. SUBJECT MEETING CONCLUDED WITH GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE GIVEN TO IAEA DIRECTOR'S GENERAL. U.S.  
PARTICIPANT GILBERT WILL BRING GROUP'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND  
OTHER RELEVANT PAPERS BACK TO WASHINGTON, INCLUDING TRAINING  
COURSE OUTLINE GIVEN TO GROUP AS PART OF SECRETARIAT'S  
WORKING PAPER ON SUBJECT.

2. ONLY SIGNIFICANT POINT OF DEBATE WAS POSITION OF  
SWEDISH DEL (A. NILSSON) (APPARENTLY ON FIRM INSTRUCTIONS  
FROM STOCKHOLM) TO ELIMINATE FROM COURSE OUTLINE THE LECTURES  
ON PHYSICAL PROTECTION WHICH WOULD BE ALONG LINES OF IAEA  
GUIDELINES ON "THE PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL  
(INFCIRC/225)". UNDERSTANDABLE PART OF SWEDISH  
RATIONALE WAS THAT A PHYSICAL SECURITY SYSTEM IS  
COMPLEMENTARY TO AND NOT A PART OF AN SSAC, AS DEFINED  
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BY AGENCY. SWEDISH DEL DID NOT SEEK HAVE OBJECTION TO

SUCH TRAINING AS SPECIFIC ITEM IN GROUP'S RECOMMENDATIONS. SWEDISH DEL DID CONCEDE THAT SSAC TRAINING SHOULD COVER RELATIONSHIP OF SSAC TO STATES' SYSTEM FOR PHYSICAL PROTECTION. COURSE OBJECTIVES AND OUTLINE WERE MODIFIED TO REFLECT CONSENSUS ON THIS POINT.

3. REASON FOR CONTINUED OPPOSITION, EVEN AFTER MODIFICATION, WAS NOT MADE CLEAR BY SWEDISH DEL AND MAY BE WORTH RAISING IN BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS IN STOCKHOLM OR WASHINGTON TO SEE IF MORE FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES ON THIS SUBJECT EXIST. (NOTE: SWEDEN WAS ONE OF 9 CO-SPONSORES OF RESOLUTION GC (XIX)/328 ON PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AT IAEA'S LAST GENERAL CONFERENCE. RES 328 SPECIFICALLY ENDORSED IAEA DIRECTOR GENERAL INTENTION TO ASSIST MEMBER STATES IN DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF THEIR NATIONAL SYSTEM OF PHYSICAL PROTECTION.)

4. PAPER ON GROUP'S RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDES FOLLOWING:  
"THE ADVISORY GROUP HAS NOTICED WITH SATISFACTION THAT THE

AGENCY ALREADY HAS STARTED TO EVALUATE THE NEEDS AND MEANS FOR TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL PROTECTION". AGENCY IS THUS NEITHER PRECLUDED NOR DISCOURAGED FROM OFFERING TRAINING ON PHYSICAL SECURITY, INCLUDING POSSIBLY AS ADD-ON SEMINAR AT END OF TRAINING COURSE ON SSAC.

5. CURRENT PLANS ARE FOR THE INITIAL COURSE TO BE HELD IN LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER FOR ABOUT 30 PARTICIPANTS FROM THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

6. VON BAECKMANN (IAEA DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF SAFEGUARDS DEVELOPMENT) HAS INFORMALLY ASKED FOR US VIEWS ON POSSIBILITY THAT INITIAL SSAC TRAINING COURSE BE HELD IN EUROPE AT A FACILITY WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRACTICAL EXERCISES AND VISITS TO NUCLEAR PLANTS. HE SUGGESTED THAT PERHAPS \$50,000 OR \$60,000 OF THE \$300,000 WHICH THE U.S. PLANS TO MAKE AVAILABLE IN 1976 TO HELP  
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STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS COULD BE USED FOR THIS TRAINING PROGRAM. THE FUNDS WOULD GO TOWARDS TRANSPORTATION AND PER DIEM EXPENSES OF PARTICIPANTS FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND PERHAPS FOR SOME OF THE LECTURES. TO ASSIST AGENCY IN ITS PLANNING FOR THIS COURSE, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE RESPONSE SOONEST AS TO WHETHER THIS WOULD POSE ANY PROBLEMS IN PRINCIPLE FOR U.S., RECOGNIZING, OF COURSE, THAT NECESSARY

FUNDS MUST STILL BE APPROPRIATED.

7. ADVISE. STONE

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